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Mr. Robert Whitehead was appointed Commonwealth's attorney for Nelson in 1845, and held the office till 1868, when he resigned, having been superseded during the reconstruction times. He was ineligible in 1870, when a friend of his was elected, who held the office till 1877, when he died. Mr. Whitehead was appointed to fill the vacancy, and held the office by election until 1891. He was not a candidate for re-election in the spring of that year. Thus in all he held the office thirty-seven years.

News from the grape-growing region of Virginia is to the effect that the prospects for a fine crop this year are most excellent; the weather so far has been very favorable. There was no damage done by late frost in the spring and up to this time there is no rot nor mildew worth speaking of. The vines have a very thrifty appearance, with fine foliage. Insects have been very few.

A well-known citizen of Roanoke county has already written to ex-Postmaster General Stevenson, now the Democratic candidate for Vice-President, that he wants to be postmaster of of Salem when Mr. Cleveland takes charge of the Government again.

Two greenhouses will be erected at the University of Virginia this summer. They will be seventy-five foot long and twenty-five feet broad, with office, boiler room and coalhouse. Increased capacity in cold frames and beds for plants will also be added.

THE TIMES KODAK.

Items of News Gathered Around Town.

There will be the usual services at all the churches to-day.

The Y. M. C. A. meeting this afternoon will be led by Mr. Alfred Thomas, who will choose his own subject.

Examinations of applicants for license to teach in the public schools of Roanoke county, will be held as follows: For white teachers, August 4th and 5th in the new school building, on Academy street. For colored teachers, August 9th and 10th in the colored school building, on Chapman street.

The county Democratic committee will meet in Salem at noon to-morrow for the purpose of organization and for setting a date upon which to hold the county convention, for the purpose of electing delegates to represent the county at the congressional convention to be held in Lynchburg the 24th of August.

William McClannahan and Miss Maud Burk left at 2 a. m. Saturday morning to drive by road to Covington, where Mrs. McClannahan is spending the summer.

Miss Cora Cabbutt, of Texas, is visiting the family of D. G. Armstrong.

On Saturday Salem furnace shipped eight car loads of pig iron to the rolling mill at Richlands. This is the second shipment to Richlands, as five cars went last Wednesday.

J. W. F. Allemon, though quite weak from his recent illness, was able to be in his office yesterday.

The Methodist chapel in West Salem is about completed, and, in order to raise necessary funds for furnishing it, the ladies will next Thursday night have an outdoor entertainment there, at which refreshments will be served at reasonable prices.

About 9 o'clock Friday evening, while J. D. Munday was coupling cars at the furnace his left arm was caught in between the bumpers of the car and badly mashed from the wrist to the elbow. He was taken to his home and medical attendance procured, and it is possible that the arm may be saved, as it is thought the bones are sound.

Thursday evening the dummy, when coming down Fourth street, ran into the old blind bay horse, which for years has drawn the mail wagon, and which had been turned out to graze. The horse's shoulder bone was broken, and his owner realizing that the animal was useless requested ex-officer Johnson to shoot it, which he did Saturday evening.

J. G. Hickok will spend a day or two at his father's home in Christiansburg.

Contrary to his expectations, John M. Oakley has in the past few days obtained from his sixty bee hives 360 pounds of clear honey and about 100 pounds of comb honey. Mr. Oakley uses an extractor of his own make which throws the honey out of the cells in short order.

Miss Pearl Arnold, who has been visiting relatives here for some weeks past, has returned to her home in Petersburg.

Capt. W. M. Rogers, chairman of the county Democratic committee, was in town Saturday.

The Jeff Davis Rifles yesterday evening marched across the river to a point near the building of the Chadwick Two-Wheeler, where they had a target practice.

Maple street in West Salem is being greatly improved by the work of the steel plow.

In a circular just issued for distribution at the district associations the executive committee of the Baptist Orphanage state that the committee appointed by the general association to inaugurate the enterprise, announced that it would cost at least \$50,000 to make a successful beginning. Thus far the entire amount paid into the treasury is less than \$25,000, whilst the cost of the John M. Evans building and its equipment, the water supply, the salaries of officers, the land purchased and all other incidental expenses amounts to \$24,000. The most important demand at present is the completion of the superintendent's house.

He has now to reside nearly one mile from the premises in a rented house. The completion of a residence on the grounds for him would diminish the expense of the board and add greatly to his comfort and successful work. They therefore urge upon the churches and individuals the importance of raising at least \$6,000 at the earliest day practicable, so that a good report may be made at the meeting of the grand association at its next annual meeting. The general association will be asked to formulate a plan for the permanent representation of the orphanage in the body and to define its organic connection with the same, so as to give the general association full control and perpetual domain of the enterprise.

Two iron bridges will shortly be erected at Riverton across the North and South forks of the Shenandoah river. The North river bridge will be built in two spans, with a roadway sixteen feet in the clear, instead of four spans with a twelve foot roadway, as originally contemplated. The South river bridge will be in four spans—the two middle spans will be duplicates of those used over North river, while the two shorter spans will connect these with the banks, making a total length of 460 feet, exclusive of the earth approaches.

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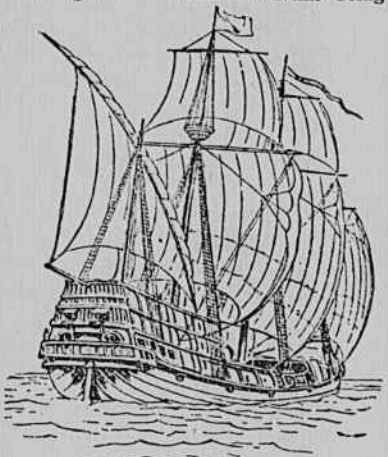
THE SHIPS OF COLUMBUS.

A Description of the Great Discoverer's Little Squadron.

The approach of the 400th anniversary of the discovery of America cannot fail to awaken a reverence for the Genoese mariner whose intrepid daring and enthusiasm changed the destiny of mankind.

Columbus was by profession a sailor, and his great maritime knowledge won for him the command of many ships. During his numerous voyages he formed his purpose of sailing westward to find a nearer way to India. It was at the little Spanish port of Palos that Columbus prepared the expedition for which Ferdinand and Isabella had supplied the means.

Of his three ships the Santa Maria, the flagship of the little squadron, was the largest, the Pinta and Nina being



SANTA MARIA.

of about equal size. Columbus chose three small ships rather than one large vessel, with the hope that out of the three one at least would weather the stormy passage and live to return.

They were designed and constructed upon a model of the old type of craft known as the caravel, which included in its class all vessels from 50 to 100 tons, with or without decks.

The Santa Maria was no larger than the little schooners engaged in fishing on the Great Banks, or about equal in tonnage to the stanch pilot boats which cruise along our coast in all weathers. This vessel upon which Columbus sailed was eighty-five feet long, twenty-four feet wide and drew eight feet of water.

Her bottom was made very flat, in order that she might be run upon the shore or sandy beach without undue strain to her timbers. Her extreme width was at the water line where the hull bulges out several feet beyond the upper structure at the deck. This form of "tumbling home," as it is termed in the vernacular of the sailor, is rarely seen in ships of modern design and construction, although this build can be seen in a modified degree in many of the old frigates now relegated to "ordinary" in our navy yards.

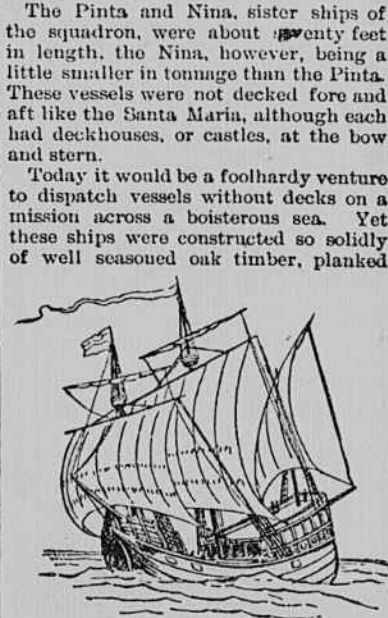
Ancient shipbuilders held that bulging out the sides of a vessel prevented her rolling in a heavy sea, and accordingly her decks would not be exposed to the sweep of heavy surges breaking close aboard.

The Santa Maria had but one deck. At the bow was a house called the forecastle, in which the petty officers slept and also a part of the crew. Across the stern of the ship was a second house called the after castle, above which ran a deck called the poop deck or quarter deck. A small watch tower was erected on the poop deck as the post of duty for the officer of the watch. The admiral of the fleet occupied the after cabin, the officers of high rank being permitted to share it with him, while the rest of the crew was quartered in the hold and in such parts of the ship as were not utilized for stowing provisions and ballast.

The after part of these ships towered many feet above the crest of the wave, and when running before heavy following seas the deckhouses were rarely swept by them, no matter how severe the gale before which the ship was driven.

The Pinta and Nina, sister ships of the squadron, were about twenty feet in length, the Nina, however, being a little smaller in tonnage than the Pinta. These vessels were not decked fore and aft like the Santa Maria, although each had deckhouses, or castles, at the bow and stern.

Today it would be a foolhardy venture to dispatch vessels without decks on a mission across a boisterous sea. Yet these ships were constructed so solidly of well seasoned oak timber, planked



PINTA.

with fir and secured by heavy iron bolts, as to withstand the battle of the elements during that long and weary journey over the trackless Atlantic.

On account of these ships being built high at the ends and low amidships, high seas would often be taken upon the decks when sailing with a side wind, and to prevent this high stanchions or posts were inserted in the upper plank of the rails, to which screens of heavy canvas were laced, making a temporary bulwark, which proved to be very effective in keeping out the water. In the case of the two smaller ships heavy mats and large tarpaulins were stretched across the beams to keep the water from running into the holds and swamping them; the vessels of four centuries ago were not supplied with pumps.

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